



Broad Run Express: December 2016

Dear Broad Run District Residents,

Along with all the issues that affect neighborhoods in the Broad Run District, our office has focused on the following priorities that affect the District as a whole:

1. Getting signals installed that are needed due to increased traffic and safety concerns.
2. Making sure that the development around the Metro Stations is compatible and will encourage good economic development -- and won't overburden our schools and roads.
3. Keeping County Staff focused on the need for Greenway Alternatives so that commuters will have the options for efficient road network without paying high tolls. As previously announced, extending Shellhorn Road to Route 28 at Sterling Boulevard has been added to the plan and received funding in the County's Capital

Improvement Program (CIP). More recently, I made a motion to add another east-west Greenway Alternative extending Barrister Road to Route 606 to the County's working draft of the Silver Line Metro area plan.

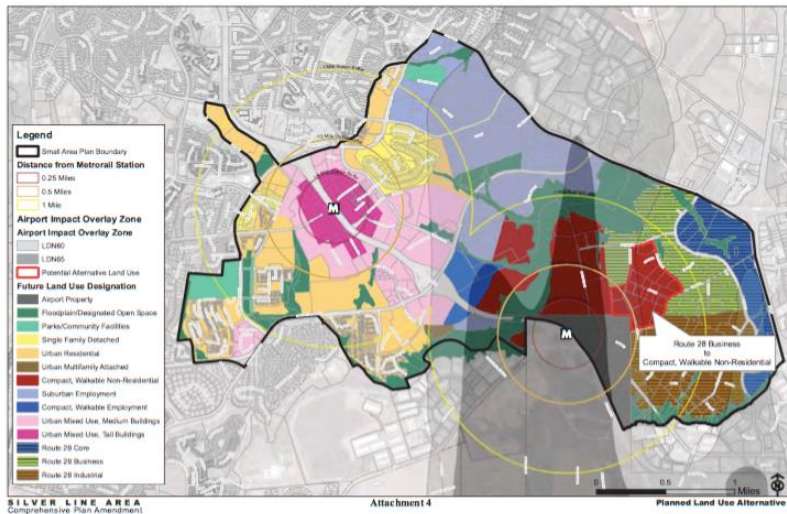
These needs of the Broad Run District are so important to our residents as well as County residents who pass through our District each day. It is my job to make sure that the concerns of the people in the Broad Run District are heard and implemented so that we can solve problems. Sometimes the concern is very localized and it takes putting a sign to alert drivers to a problem on a specific roadway. Other times it is building a road that costs tens of millions of dollars. Each situation deserves our attention and commitment to solving the problem.

Please continue to be in touch to let me know if something is happening in your neighborhood that needs to be addressed. I appreciate your input and advice.

Have a wonderful Holiday Season and Merry Christmas!

- Supervisor Ron Meyer, Broad Run District

Future Residential Development in Ashburn



As the Board of Supervisors nears finalizing the Silver Line Comprehensive Plan Amendment for the areas around the future Metro stations coming to Ashburn, I need to bring something troubling to your attention: **unless the Board reverses course, we will be adding the potential for more than 4,400 additional townhouses in our area.** More than 1,200 townhouses are already zoned to be built in this Metro area by right.

While we welcome new people to our County, we do not have the infrastructure (schools and roads) that can handle additional residential townhouses. We need mixed-use economic development at Metro stops in order to fund our Metro tax district, but we won't be able attract more revenue to this County by overburdening our current infrastructure and school budgets.

Townhouses in Loudoun are generating more school-aged children that our schools anticipated and therefore our schools are overcrowded. We are currently working hard to catch up with the building of roads to handle the current development, and I am concerned that if we add this many additional townhouses, we will put ourselves in a deeper hole.

Our current road projects during the next few years total over **\$303 million** in just the Broad Run District and areas on the District borders that our residents will use every day. While all these projects are very important, they will only take care of current needs. If we increase development this significantly, we will need to increase our capital budget to meet the new demands.

That's why I made the motion in our Transportation and Land Use Committee meeting to eliminate these additional townhouses from the plan. While that

motion passed in committee, the full Board rejected my motion and kept the additional townhouses.

The Board will vote one more time next year after this plan is reviewed by the Planning Commission. If you agree that Supervisors who live outside our area shouldn't add plans for 4,400 additional townhouses in our neighborhoods, let them know by emailing BOS@Loudoun.gov.

Traffic Signal Update



We have found that the process to install traffic signals is complex and bureaucratic. We are looking for ways to streamline this process.

In the interim, I have asked that the installation of signals in critical spots be made a priority by County Staff and VDOT, and I receive updates each day on the progress that is being made -- especially at Ashby Ponds and Gloucester Parkway, where we recently had a tragic accident.

Below are the most recent updates to several of the traffic signals throughout the Broad Run District. Please feel free to contact me or my staff with any questions you may have.

Traffic Signals at Gloucester Pkwy - Ashby Ponds/ Smith Switch and Four Seasons/ Marblehead

Intersection of Gloucester Pkwy and Marblehead Drive: The Department of Transportation and Capital Infrastructure has issued the Notice to Proceed. Construction should have begun in late November. The Poles will arrive in mid January. This project has a contract completion date of February 2017.

Intersection of Gloucester Pkwy and Ashby Ponds: This project has a contract completion date of January 2017. Currently, the specified pole is running at a mid-December delivery timeline. Construction has begun at the intersection. The foundation plans are being reviewed and interim measures have been taken by the contractor and the Sheriff's Department to alert drivers to this very dangerous intersection.

Intersection of Waxpool Road and Loudoun County Parkway

This project entails the planning and design of intersection improvements at Loudoun County Parkway and Waxpool Road.

Belmont Ridge Road Intersection at Truro Parish Drive and Croson Lane: Traffic Signals

The traffic signal at Belmont Ridge Road and Truro Parish is being completed by Brookfield Homes and was scheduled for completion in mid-November. There has been a delay due to additional features required by the State. Comcast is scheduled to provide the connectivity on November 30th and the signal should be functional very soon. The signal project at Belmont Ridge Road and Croson Lane has a contract completion date of December 19 and Loudoun's Transportation team continues to work with the contractor to meet that completion date. I was advised that the poles were shipped from the fabricator in Tennessee on December 5th. The poles are expected on Friday, December 9th and installation will start. We expect the signal to be in flashing mode by December 19th. These are important signals and Croson is of special concern due to the amount of young drivers who are using this intersection.

Pacific Boulevard Extension



I was very pleased to participate in the Ribbon Cutting for the Pacific Boulevard Extension project on December 5th. This was a developer-financed project by Kincora and completed the bridge over the Broad Run that connected Pacific Boulevard to Russell Branch Parkway.

This project completed another missing link that will connect our roads and make commuting in and out of the Broad Run District easier and give our residents more choices in traveling within our District.

The project includes:

- ♣ A four-lane, median-divided roadway improvement;
- ♣ A bridge crossing over the Broad Run; and
- ♣ A ten foot wide multi-purpose trail.

With the opening of this phase of Pacific Boulevard, motorists will be able to drive on Pacific Boulevard from Old Ox Road/Route 606 northward and continue on Russell Branch Parkway to Claiborne Parkway. This extension of Pacific Boulevard serves as a parallel road to Route 28 and Route 7.

With this improvement, you will be able to drive from Wegmans to Whole Foods without getting on Rt. 28 or Rt. 7.



Transportation Projects

Shellhorn Road/Greenway Alternative

This project provides for the planning, design, and right-of-way acquisition for Shellhorn Road from Loudoun County Parkway to Moran Road, connecting to the Sterling Blvd. extension to Route 28. The Loudoun Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to support seeking state funding for the Shellhorn Road Extension to Route 28 and place this project as part of their Legislative Priorities. Bond funding was passed in November, 2016 to fund the initial design and engineering.

Belmont Ridge Road

Segment of Belmont Ridge Road from Truro Parish Dr. to Croson Lane

100% design plans were submitted in late November. Approval of the plans by VDOT is expected early next year. Right of way and easement acquisition is expected to commence in the Spring of next year. Project is anticipated to go to bid in the Spring/Summer of 2018, pending acquisition of right of way and utility relocation.

Segment of Belmont Ridge Road from Hay Rd. to Gloucester Parkway

VDOT Design/Build project currently under construction and scheduled to be completed in December 2018. Interchange at Route 7/659 and Belmont Ridge Road from Route 7 to Gloucester Pkwy. Currently under construction and scheduled to be completed in Spring 2019.

Belmont Ridge Road Bridge over the Greenway

Project involves the widening of Belmont Ridge Road at the bridge of the Greenway and the restriping of the bridge to accommodate four lanes of traffic. Currently in design phase. Right of way acquisition is expected to begin in mid-2019. Project scheduled to go to bid in May 2020.

Signal at Belmont Ridge Road and Northstar Blvd

Design was approved in July 2016. Currently in land acquisition. Project scheduled to go to bid in Spring 2017.

Croson Lane - Old Ryan Road to Metro 772

This project is being delayed until early Summer due to MWAA's request for access from Croson Lane to the Airport Metro Station project. Hazel will then resume construction of Croson Lane with planned completion 2-3 months following their return to the site.

Rt. 7/ Ashburn Village Boulevard Interchange

Utility relocation is in progress along with storm drain installation, erection of the steel girders for the Ashburn Village Boulevard bridge, grading of Ashburn Village Boulevard and paving of ramps located on the south side of Route 7.

Widening Waxpool Road from 2 lanes to 4 lanes between Faulkner Parkway and Unbridled Way

General Contractor will remobilize within the next quarter and continue work through the winter with Summer 2017 completion. The general contractor will remobilize in the next quarter and continue work through the winter. Verizon relocation is complete; Open Band will follow for completion by the end of 2016. Summer, 2017 is the anticipated completion date.

Loudoun County Parkway/Waxpool Road Intersection Improvements

The County is still working with landowners surrounding this project.

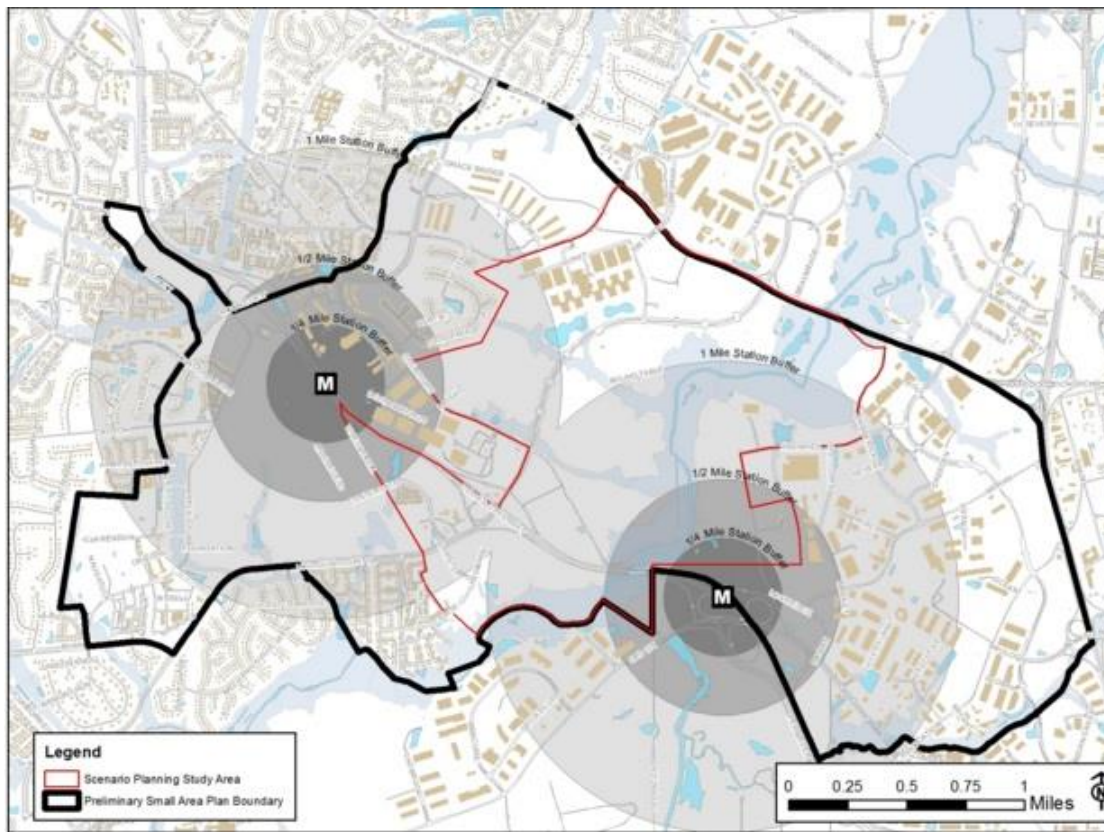
Vantage Point Shared Use Path

Design and construction of a shared use path along Mooreview Parkway and sidewalks along Claude Moore Parkway and Croson Lane... Construction plans are approved; land acquisition in progress. Plat revision in process to vacate and replace existing open space easement.

Metro Station Area Pedestrian Improvements

A study of missing bike/pedestrian links has been submitted to County for review and prioritization. On July 6, 2016, the Board approved allocation of \$442,936 additional FY2017 CMAQ funds and transfer of \$5.7M of prior CMAQ funds from Leesburg Park & Ride Lot to this project. A total of 16 projects and 3 intersections have been evaluated. DTCI is working on a Request to Administer and a Request for Proposals for design services for this project.

Silver Line Comprehensive Plan Amendment



SILVER LINE AREA
Comprehensive Plan Amendment

Preliminary Study Area Bound

The Board of Supervisors and County Staff have been working on the plans for the areas around the future Metro Stops in Ashburn. We have the following goals:

1. Desirable Land Use Patterns
2. Maximize Employment Opportunities
3. Maximize Tax Revenue to support Metrorail Operations
4. Maximize Impact on the Transportation System

We have had input from stakeholders, landowners, Dulles Airport and other interested parties. This Plan Amendment will be a diagram of what the surrounding area of the metro stations will look like in the next ten to twenty years. We want to do it right. The tax revenue will be supporting the County's required contributions to the operation of the Silver Line.

The new Metro line runs from East Falls Church through Tysons Corner and Reston, to Washington Dulles International Airport, and finally west to Ashburn. Construction is in two phases; Phase 1 opened in July 2014. Phase 2 service to the

Loudoun Gateway and Ashburn Stations is expected to begin in 2020. The County and specifically the Broad Run District will be impacted by the decisions that we make today regarding plans for the Metro Stations and their surrounding development. I hope you will take the time to look at some of the information below and provide me with any feedback.

- Keep up to date on the project: www.loudoun.gov/dullesrail.



Envision Loudoun

Envision Loudoun will result in a new comprehensive plan that will serve as the county government's guide for land use and development for the foreseeable future. The Envision Loudoun initiative addresses growth, land use, transportation, community facilities and amenities, economic development, and fiscal management.

The Envision Loudoun initiative includes a website focused on community engagement and public participation. Find out more at www.envision-loudoun.org.

Background

Loudoun County is in the process of developing a new Comprehensive Plan. A Comprehensive Plan is a community-based vision for the county's future and serves as a land use policy document and a guide for decision-making. In particular, the policies in the plan guide the Board of Supervisors' land use development decisions.

The current Comprehensive Plan consists of the Revised General Plan, the Revised Countywide Transportation Plan, a companion to the General Plan, and a number of specific strategic and area management plans. The Comprehensive Plan also serves as the foundation for amendments to the Zoning and Subdivision ordinances to ensure the county's land use goals are implemented through the regulatory process. This planning effort will focus on developing a new General Plan and a new Countywide Transportation Plan.

New Online Application Form for Advisory Boards, Committees and Commissions

Loudoun County has developed a new online application form for those applying to the Board of Supervisors to serve on the county's advisory boards, commissions and committees.



The new, user-friendly, web-based form may be filled out and submitted online. The form also allows the applicant to easily attach a resume. The form is accessible through a secure connection through an https (Hypertext Transfer Protocol Secure) address. In addition to providing increased online security, the technology behind the new form will help streamline the appointment process for citizens and the Board of Supervisors.

To view an application form, [click here](#).

To view current vacancies, [click here](#).



Pay Loudoun County Taxes with the Link2Loudoun App on Your Mobile Device

Loudoun County Treasurer H. Roger Zurn Jr. announces that taxpayers can now pay their taxes through their mobile device. A Pay Taxes link is available on the Link2Loudoun app, which can be downloaded for free from the iPhone App Store and the Google Play Store. The Pay Taxes link on the app allows taxpayers to access the county's Tax Search and Pay website: www.loudounportal.com/taxes.

In addition to online payments, Loudoun County offers several other convenient payment options for taxpayers, including electronic check, credit card, telephone and mail. Payment can also be made in person at these Treasurer Office locations from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday:

- 1 Harrison Street, S.E., 1st Floor, Leesburg,
- 21641 Ridgetop Circle, Suite 104, Sterling

A listing of Loudoun County tax deadlines is available at www.loudoun.gov/taxcalendar. More information about taxes in Loudoun County is online at www.loudoun.gov/taxes, by calling the Loudoun County Treasurer's Office at 703-777-0280, or emailing taxes@loudoun.gov.

Link2Loudoun is the Loudoun County government's mobile app which provides residents, businesses and visitors easy and convenient access to local officials, county information and services. Features of the app include links to news releases, Alert Loudoun, the Board of Supervisors, county departments and agencies, frequently asked questions, and the county's social media sites: Facebook, Twitter and YouTube.

Next Phase of Metrorail SafeTrack Program Will Affect Loudoun Commuters

The next phase of the Metrorail maintenance program, SafeTrack, is scheduled for November 28-December 21, 2016, and will directly affect some riders of the Loudoun County Transit bus service.

SafeTrack is a year-long, extensive maintenance program which includes track outages of long duration in key parts of the Metrorail system.

The 11th "surge" of the SafeTrack plan will reduce the frequencies of trains at the Wiehle-Reston East Metro Station from six minutes to approximately every 20 minutes. The surge will result in single tracking between the West Falls Church and East Falls Church Metro stations. The direct effects on Loudoun County bus riders will be:

From Monday, November 28, through Wednesday, December 21, 2016, Loudoun County Transit will re-route two of its Metro-Connection bus service routes - Potomac Falls Routes 901 and 902 -from the West Falls Church Metro Station to the Ballston Metro Station during this period. The schedule is online at www.loudoun.gov/SafeTrack.

During the surge, Metro's Silver Line trains will operate every 20 minutes as opposed to the normal six-minute intervals. To assist commuters, Loudoun County Transit has produced flyers that highlight the morning and afternoon buses that line up within seven minutes of the rail arrival or departure. The flyers can be viewed and downloaded at www.loudoun.gov/SafeTrack.

As SafeTrack continues, increased traffic and delays on area roadways are possible if commuters choose to trade their bus or Metrorail ride for a single-occupancy vehicle. Loudoun County offers information on commuting options at www.loudoun.gov/commute.

Loudoun County Transit officials encourage commuters to stay informed about updates and changes to bus service by signing up for Bus Biz at www.loudoun.gov/BusBiz. Commuters can also sign up for local traffic alerts through Alert Loudoun at www.loudoun.gov/alert.

Links to the Loudoun County bus schedules and more information about SafeTrack, including the complete SafeTrack Plan, can be found at www.loudoun.gov/SafeTrack.

Loudoun Symphony



Join the Loudoun Symphony for Winter Respite on Saturday, Feb 4 at the Community Center in Middleburg. The program begins at 4PM and features music by Bach, Beethoven and Hayden. The orchestra and guest soloist, violinist Teresa Gordon, will perform in a music-in-the-round format with the audience seated around the orchestra. Warm your ears on a cold February day with the talented Loudoun Symphony Orchestra. Refreshment including wine will be available. Details, including ticket information, are on the LSO website:

<http://www.loudounsymphony.org/lso>



Stay Informed by Joining Alert Loudoun

Sign up for [Alert Loudoun](#) to stay up to date on emergency information, Loudoun County news releases, traffic information, schools closings/delays, and weather alerts. The email and text notification system includes a new category, "County Facility Closures/Status Changes." People may also receive timely and relevant information from Loudoun County Government on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

County Launches Real-Time Bus Information for Commuter Bus Riders



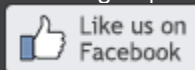
Loudoun County has launched a new real-time bus information system that provides commuter bus riders with accurate arrival times of their buses. "Bus Time" is a web-based tool that can be viewed using a web browser on a mobile device, laptop or PC. This program helps riders plan their commute by allowing them to see the next several buses scheduled to arrive at their selected stop.

Using GPS technology and schedule/arrival data, the Bus Time program calculates the arrival time of buses for specific stops and routes. Commuters can access the information via smartphones, other mobile devices, laptops or PCs.

More information about Bus Time, including the link to the tool, is available online at www.loudoun.gov/BusTime or by contacting Loudoun County Transit at 703-771-5665 or by email at rideshare@loudoun.gov.

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